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SOLDIERS OF THE DISTRIC

Militiamen Are Making Ready to Go to the Front.

WILL GIVE PROMPT RESPONSE

Should the Call to Arms Be Sounded This Evening the Intional Guard of the District Could Go Into Camp Tomorrow Morning-A Regiment Will Be Accepted.

There will be no delay in responding to the call of Secretary Alger for a regiment of volunteers from the District of

Should the call come this evening the regiment could go in camp temperow morning. The captains of the different companies will be ready tonight to make up a final muster roll of their men, and tomorrow General Harries will report to the War Department that he is ready to formish the volunteers needed. It is expected that Secretary Alger will the make the official order changing the District's quota. This will be followed by al to go in camp. Colonel Heyl, the muster ing officer, will accompany them and com mence the task of mustering the volum term into the United States service.

Several of the new volunteer compa will have a drill tonight at the armory test to get them in shape and used to the

company E. the senior company, as able to report this morning thirty-four members. This result was attained sinc-lest night. Captain O Brien has decided to make Charles G. Mortimer quarter master-sergeant and R. L. Lamb a sergeant. Notices were sent to the member of the companies this afternoon to mee light at the Second Regimental hear quarters at the armory for a drill.

As announced in The Times this mor-

As announced in The Times has morning Capitain Sayers, of Company C of the Fifth Battallon, has decided to accept the post of sergeant in Company F, under Capitain Otto Simonson. Capitain Sayers company was not considered in the dis m of officers by General Harries tribution of officers by General Harries, and last night nearly the whole company followed its captain's example and volunteered their services to Captain Simonton. Those who were accepted were:

Jos. Clark, J. C. Maley, R. S. Warden, W. F. Clarkson, G. W. Van Horn, H. L. Jenkins, A. Lusby, W. A. Warten, C. F. Souder, P. L. Burke, Wm. Ohm. T. Mc-Stewart, G. A. Bogleman, W. J. James, W. A. Dowling, Jos. Ottenberger, J. W. Rowdler, John Thecker, H. Holtsman, J. McArdle, Thos. D. Parker, M. S. Hilton, McArdle, Thus. D. Parker, M. S. Hiltor D. J. Moore, Alfred Heimmiler, J. S. Cliff, W. H. Whee, E. W. Short, J. J. Vost, J. S. Perkins, J. P. Moliere, James Walls, William Sheridan and James H.

jumy D. Ordway Rifles, over the selec-tion of Horace Bell for second ileuteman and it is certain that some of the members will decline to go in the front with their company. Bull is the son of Malo Bell, an inspector of rifle practice and it well liked personally. He was a member of the Carnell University military school but in the guard has never riser higher

In this connection there are more ri he the concerning the acceptance of men in the volunteer regiment who are not affiliated with the guard. More than one company has accepted men outside of the militia. Capt. Sayers explained this morning that he understood from Gen. Harries that such action was permissi-ble. He had a conversation with Gen. Harries who stated that the new regi selection of officers who are not now to the guard and it is generally

tood to be equally applicable to the en-oliment of privates. At the War Department today it was aid that Secretary Alper was not yet to call upon the District soldier

Adfrondack's Crew Jubilant.

New York, May 2-The steamship Adirandack arrived this morning from Kingston, Savanilla, Greytown and Port Li-Among her passengers were eight officers and fifteen men belonging to the United States Nicareguan Canal Com-When the steamship reached her passengers heard the e battle of Maniia. There was rejoicing among the passengers, partle ularly the scames who cheered and yell-ed fustily over the great naval victory.

British Stenmer Enters Havana.

Key West, Fla., May 1.-The British warship Talbot from Bermuda, went into Havana yesterday, after a conference with the officers of the blockading sq ron who raised no objection. The To supposed to have messages for the British consul and may take Englishmer away who want to come. Sallors on the Montgomery cheered the British ture heartily as the Talbot steamed off.

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A CHANGE OF PLAN

The Invasion of Cuba Will Be

MUST SINK SPAIN'S FLEET

Supplies to Be Sent to Cuban Soldiers.

FOOD FOR THE STARVING

The Latest Proposition Is to Land a Small American Force Tempo rarily and Thoroughly Equip the Sensoned Patriots Under Comer and Garcia-Spanish Ships to Be

The invasion of Cuba by a permanen army of 5,000 troops that was planned to take place temorrow is believed to have een abandoned, although no statemen of any kind will be made at the War De

The present plan, as far as it can erned, is that a small force is to be anded remporarily with food for the reocentrados and arms for the Cuban

The reasons suggested for the change plan are simple. The situation in Cuat present is that Blanco is bottled up in Havana practically. No food can get him from the outside, owing to the blockade. If the Cubans are armed his position will be still more precurious. It s not believed that he can do anything as long as the peaceful blockade is

On the other hand the intention of Spain outside of Cuba is still unknown. forces to attack the blockading squadron. If this proves the case there is the possibility that Admiral Sampson's flee might get the worse of the fight. With the blockade thus broken up and the Spaniards in command the tables would be reversed on any American Army in

The plans of America depend largely in the Spanish flects. When they are Usbored of, and if Susin has not given up by that time the Administration believes it will be time to invade Cuba.

It is believed that no attack on the Ha and forts should be made by the Amercan squadron until the Spanish fleet is heard from. The Havana forts are considered much more formidthan those at Munila, they might sink some of the American shine. A targe part of the blockading squadron may be obliged to withdraw

to help protect the Atlantic coast. The conclusion to which some jumped but the war was practically ended with Manila, is not shared by those whose busmess it is to conduct the war. They do not underestimate Manlla, however, I has broken Spain's power in the East created new enthusiasm here, and convinced the world of America's power and

The progress of the war will now b apid, and many took for its ending in July, unless a collapse in Spain should

terminate it sooner. Next week may come the real decisive attle of the war, when the North At antic squadron meets the Cape Verde Borilla. The course of events may be deflected, should the Spanish flotilla try to intercept the Oregon, or should it make demonstration against the North A:

While the inevitable may be postponed t cannot be avoided. Nowhere, it may e believed, is this more keenly realized han in Madrid.

Preparations for Cuban relief continu o be pushed by the War Department, and while nothing official can be learned it sems to be the intention of the Admin istration to start the expedition for Cuba

Transports have been secured and are eady to start at any moment, The expeditions will carry arms, ammu itton, horses and mules for the insurgent placed in charge of the base of supplies stablished, and arrangements made for o-operation between them and the Amer

EQUIP THE INSURGENTS. Spaniards May Be Landing Supplies

ican fleet.

Clara.

at Batabano. Tampa. Fla., May 3 .- There are rumors of an entire change of plan of the invaion of Cuba. It is now expected that no troops will be landed west of Santa

A rumor that the Spaniards are circumventing the Havana blockade by reimbursing Havana from the south coast, has its origin in official circles. Gen. Shafter is said to have received information that the Spaniards are landing food and ammunition at Batabano them from there by rail to Havana. It is evident that the Cubans themselves are expected to make important inland oprations against the Spanlards. In Ho Brigadier Gen. Shaffer, now in command here, said this morning, in reply to a request for a general statement as to the plan of the campaign "Equip the insurgents; urge them to the front; watch the result, and if the re-sult requires further movement, make

further movements. An order, issued at the camp last night revoking the order to be in immediate readings to embark, is said to be due to the feeling over the Manila victory. There seems to be a feeling that Spals will back down, and the Cuban invasion may be unnecessary.

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DISTRICT NAVAL RESERVES. Bill for a Washington Battalion

Goes to Conference. There was hardly a quorum preset

when the House convened at noon, but sefore the morning hour had progressed far the chamber began to fill up and a bare majority was seated by 1:30

Routine business occupied the attention of the House until Representative Hilborn, of the Naval Affairs Committee called up House bill 1316, providing for the organization of a naval battalion is the District of Columbia, which had been reported back from the Senate with certain amendments. Mr. Hilborn moved to nonconcur in the Senate amendments, and by a unanimous vote it was agreed to send the bill to conference for compromise. Representatives Hilborn.
oss and Butler were named by the bair as House conferees.

Representative Babcock succeeded in gaining the floor on District business, and moved to reconsider the vote on the House bill investing in the Commissioners control of street parking. There was no objection to reconsideration, and then the House agreed to nonconcur in the Senate amendments and the bill wa

the Senate amenuments and the bill was sent to conference. Pension business occupied the next half hour. All such routine business was pushed through rapidly in the expecta-tion that Chairman Hull would call up tion that Chairman Hull would call up his military bill, provioling for the in-recasting the land forces of the country A contention arose over the bill to pay the Richmond Locomotive Works, of Richmond, Va., the sum of \$69,550.39 fo work on the machinery of the battleship Pexas, that caused the loss of considera ble time

The bill had been favorably considered in committee of the whole, and was reported to the House for passage.

Mr. Moody of Massachusetts insisted upon making a speech against the bill

Mr. Brumm, who had the bill in charge, objected, saying it had been fully debated in committee. Mr. Brumm demanded the previous question. A vote disclosed the presen eventy-eight members, and Mr. Moody made the point of no quorum. Upon the time he had asked being offered to him he proposed to withdraw his point of no quorum, but the Speaker ruled that i

After the waste of half an hour in futile effort to untangle the parliamentary kink, the year and nays were ordered, on the demand for the previous question.

TWO WARSHIPS SIGHTED. Supposed American Vessels Pass

Anssau, Hended Southwest. Nassau, N. P., May 3.-Two warship ere now passing five miles south of Nas sau, heading southwest. They are sur posed to be American vessels. The Brit ish steamer Ironapolis, from Cardiff, for Havana, with 3,000 tons of coal of board, was not allowed to enter Havana. and has returned here for orders,

OREGON SAILS NORTH TODAY. of the Battleship Eager for a Fight.

Bucnos Ayres, Argentina, via Galves ton. Texas. May 2.-Advices received from a corresponent in Rio Janeiro, Brazil state that the United States battleship Oregon and gunboat Marietta will sail probably today from this port. They will enter Bahia and walt for the dyna mire gun vessels Nictherov recently pur chased from Brazil.

In the crew of the bartleship Oregon e many Japanese. Both the America and the Japanese are anxious to go to

A dispatch from Rio Janeiro announce the arrival there of the Spanish gunboa erario. It is expected here that if a fight occurs the ships will meet just beyond the lega three-mile limit.

WARSHIPS FOR RUSSIA. Cramps Get a Contract to Build Two Large Vessels.

Philadelphia, May 3-The Cram Shipbuilding Company has received cable advices from Charles H. Cramp, its president, now in Europe, to the effect that Russian government and himself for the One is to be a battleship of approximate ly 12,500 tons displacement, and is to have a guaranteed speed of eighteen knots pe

o develop a speed of twenty-three knot

that this is the first award of a con-tract for the construction of a battle ship to be built abroad in the history he Russian navy. The protected cruis also the largest and most import resael of this type ever ordered by Russian government in any foreign ship yard.

CONSUL ASKS PROTECTION British Representative Fears Vio

lence From Spanish Mobs. New York, May 3.-The British steam Ely, which arrived here this morning salled from Guantanamo, April 22, with a cargo of sugar. Shortly before sailing the British consul ordered the captain to take on board a large number of refugees from Cuba and American citizens The passengers were from Baracoa. obliged to huddle together as well as the uld, and were safely landed at King-

Before leaving Guanatanamo the British consul instructed Capt. Pearn to inform the British authorities that he activity in protecting American citizens.

The Cargo That Never Came.

New York, May 1.-The British steam Aloedene, recently chartered by the Ward Line, which sailed hence for Havana on April 22, returned today with her \$86,000 cargo, among which were six military cars intended for the Spanish army in Cuba and a large quantity of provisions. She put Into Jupiter, Fla., on her way to the Gulf and there received orders to come back to New York. Her cargo will be put in storage.

Watching for American Yachts. London, May 3 -A telegram from Nice ays that the La Turbie Semaphore tion reports that a Spanish cruiser is ten miles off shore watching for the Ameri-can yachts in the Mediterranean.

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ARMY OF OCCUPATION.

No Present Intention to Send Ameri

can Troops to the Philippines. There is some discussion in the War Department as to the necessity of sending an army from the Pacific Coast to the Philippines to hold the new American possessions. It may be stated, positively, however, that nothing like a program has been reached.

A statement has been made that a force is to be sent immediately, but it is founded at best on this gossip. The fastest mail steamers make a three weeks' trip from San Francisco to the Philippines Transport ships would take a month This is one good reason why several good ships and several regiments of troops should not be sent so far from communication with home.

It is thought probable that before they would reach the end of a cable again the war would be over and the need of their services at an end.

At present the situation in the islands an only be surmised, but the indications are that Commodore Dewey has all his sh'ps in good shape still and that he has cossession of all the coal at Manila.

The insurgents on the Islands are be lieved to be a very active force and quite capable of giving the Spanish soldiers all the occupation they need outside of Manila. As far as can be learned the Administration has no intention of a con quest of the remainder of the islands If this is the program, Commodore Dewey will be abundantly able to hold Monila indefinitely.

SPANISH EVACUATE BAYAMO Important Cuban Town Surrendered to the Insurgents.

New York, May 3 .- A cable dispatch from Jamaica says the Spaniards have evacua(ed Bayamo, an Important town in Cuba and that the insurgents have oc

Bayamo has been held by a strong orce of Spanish troops and is located in the southwestern end of the province of Santiago de Cuba, Its position as strategic point has been held by the Spanish forces in high regard, and the robability is that owing to the great neessity of concentrating troops in the Ma anzas province, where Spain expects : e met with a strong force of American it has been determined to evacuate point where troops can be spared, under the present circumstances, with comparative ly little disadvantage.

ANGLO-SAXON SUPERIORITY. Italy's Minister of Marine Says the

Spaniards Have No Show. Rome, May 3-Admiral Brin, minister centing upon the Manila fight, he said: "The Spaniards have thus effectively groved their unpreparedness. The co usion of the war is now within sight

TRANSPORTTION OF TROOPS. A Railroad Official Is Placed in

any doubt of the early result."

Charge. The War Department today made aringements whereby Mr. W. R. Blanch ard, president of the Joint Traffic Asso. nation, will have charge of the transrobably be given an office in the War Department in order to supervise the work more directly.

NAVAL ORDERS.

and Topeka.

Naval orders were issued today as fol-Commander J. P. Merrill, to comman the Illinois, and Lieutement Commander W. S. Cowles, to command the Topeka. Lieutenant Commander F. H. Sheppard retired, navy yard, Pensacola, Fla. Lieut. Horace P. McIntosh, retired, to

Lieut. Horace ... Rydrographic Office. Lieut. W. Doty, retired, to Naval Sta-Passed Assistant Paymaster P. V. Mo detailed Naval Station, Key West, and ordered to Pensacola, Fig.
Paymaster G. H. Reed, to navy yard,
Portsmouth, N. H. Paymaster Joseph Foster, detached from

yard, Portsmouth, and ordered to Lieut. J. H. Shepley, detached Naval Academy, and ordered to Key West Naval

Chief Engineer E. T. Warburton, to ank of lieutenant.
Acting Assistant Surgeon A. Siewart, to Naval Station, Port Royal. Acting Chaplain John B. Scott, to the st. Paul.

Commander B. S. Richards, retired, under Section 1453. Passed Engineer John Pemberton, to be assistant inspector of machinery. East

Acting Lieut, G. W. Mason, to Prairie. Passed Assistant Surgeon G. A. Young, etached Naval Station, Port Royal, and Paymaster W. J. Thompson, to Illinois, Passed Assistant Engineer G. W. Danforth, detached navy yard, New York, and

Lieut, Com. H. T. Jasper, three months'

sick leave.
Lieut. D. H. Mahon, order of April 29,
revokes, and to continue on Badger.
Passes, Assistant Engineer Conant and
Chief Engineer R G. Denig, return orders for cancel. Chief Engineer J. W. Thomson, retired.

Pay Director L. G. Billings, to navy ard, New York, 1 re coast signal de-Commander S. Beiden, retired, to Naval Station, Key West. Medical Director E. S. Bogert, detached from navy yard, New York, and home to

Thurlow, Pa.

Assistant Secretary Roosevelt is making

Minnenpolls Puts to Sen. preparations to leave here on Friday or Boston, May 3.-The cruiser Minneapo Saturday to join his regiment at San Antonio. Texas. He will not resign from passed out by Highland Light at 8:30 this orning. Her destination is not known. the Navy Department until then.

The Weather-Libbey & Co. say-

Secretary Long Does Not Believe the Blockade Is Raised.

NO DISPATCHES FROM DEWEY

The Secretary of the Navy Discredits the Disputch From Madri-l That the Blockading Squadron Has Withdrawn From Cuba and Sailed Toward Key West.

Senator Mark Hanna called at the White House early this forenoon, as is his wont on Cabinet days. He remained with Mr. McKinley several minutes. Immediately after leaving the Executive Mansion. Mr. Hanna went over to the Navy Department, where he saw the Secretary.

Secretary Long did not arrive at the White House until the Cabinet meeting was about to begin. Mr. McKinley and tion before the business of the meeting was taken up.

cers, Senator Spooner of Wisconsin, Senator Allen of Nebrasku, and Senator date of Tennessee talked with the Presi-Sabinet room, he brought with him a depatch received this morning from

Before the arrival of the Cabinet offi-

Rear Admiral Sampson.

Mr. Long communicated to the Cabine hat it was reported from Madrid that stance had cabled that the entire Ameri-can elockeding fleet had moved from its sosition before Havana and had sailed

can conceive of no contingency,' Mr. Long said, "in which such a cours be expedient. Consequently, I no reliance upon the dispatch." believed that Rear Admiral Sampon's orders to maintain the blockade are a imperative as to make it altogether out f the question for him to raise the bar-

er now intervening between Havana and ic outside world. hour, and at the close of the meeting one of the members would say anythin No official dispatches have been re-eived from Commodore Dewey. John A. Logan, ir., saw the President oday regarding the commission he de-

Representative Young of Brooklyn call of upon the President after the Cabine

LEE HEARS THE NEWS.

spanish Dispatches From Manila Remind Him of Blanco's Mule. orthusiastic over the news of the great American victory at Manila.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee arrived here Sunday aight from Washington, and like every me else, was jubilant when he learned the news. The general first heard of the battle from a morning paper. "That is Spanish," he said, when he read that the Madrid officials were congratulating the officers of the fleet, "Vessels burned and sunk, yet a victory was claimed. It re-minds me of Blanco's dispatch to Madrid after the bombardment of Matanzas. He ammed up the situation by saying that nly a mule was killed,"

Reading further, Gen. Lee looked up from the paper and remarked to those "Here we have it. Spanish officials claim a victory, and yet the ca-blegrams say Madrid is greatly excited over the serious news from the Philipdnes, and there is an immense gathering in Madrid if the result is such as to call for congratulations? This is the Spanish es are that Spain received a crush

FAITH IN THE NAVY.

Supt. Cooper, of Annapolis, Says Land Forces Are Unnecessary. Annapolis, Md., May 1.- The news of ne victory of the American forces at Manila was received at Annapolis and the Naval Academy with a great deal of satisfaction. Gov. Lowndes eagerly fin introd for the latest information. Superintenden: Cooper and other Naval

Dewey's good showing. "There will be no necessity for land water, and the American Navy will seitle

The Army will not be in it. Admiral Dewey was a guest of Capt ooper last Summer when acting as pres nt of the board that examined the ter-bo boat built at the Columbian Iron Works, Baltimore. He and Capt. Cooper re warm friends, and the superintende feels confident that the admiral will teach a lesson to the Spaniards which

PANIC IN PORTO RICO.

American and British Subjects a Ponce Greatly Alarmed.

New York, May 3.-The British steamship Tyrian, from Ponce, Porto Rico, April 25, arrived this morning. brings nine cabin passengers, six of whom are American citizens. They report as alarming state of things at Ponce. city was under martial law, and the American and British residents almost in a state of panic. Provisions were

very high and scarce. The American consul was subjected to much criticism, owing to his having left the country without notifying the American citizens. The British consul was de-ing all in his power to protect American lives and property.

Claim for Seized Goods.

London, May 3.-A dispatch from Haana says that a Portuguese named Duarte has made a claim upon British Cor sul Golian, who is acting for the United States, for the sum of \$50,000, for the loss of money, jewelry and merchandise on board the mail steamer Argonaia, captured by the United States gunboat Nash-

erelds, chartered by the banking comonles here to bring away the specie from Manila has not reached here and it believed that she has been boarded by the Americans.

Boarded by Americans.

Hong Kong, May 1.-The steamer Es-

Flooring, sound, good, \$1.50 per

MORE MONEY FOR THE NAVY. Congress to He Asked for Deficiency Appropriation of Eighteen Million Dollars.

Secretary of the Navy Long sent a com munication to Secretary Gage today setting forth the need of a deficiency appropriation of a little over \$18,000,000. Congress will be asked to provide the money.

THE BLOCKADING PLEET.

Spanish Report That It Has Left Havana Discredited.

Madrid, May 3.-An official dispate from Havana says that the entire American squadron, which has been lying off that city, has steamed away. It is believed that the vessels have got

n the direction of Key West. As stated elsewhere, the Navy Depart nent officials place no credence in this re

port. It is regarded as a Spanish ruse. PAUNCEFOTE TO RETIRE.

British Ambassador Soon to Be Suc ceeded by Sir Thomas Sanderson. A report is in circulation today that Sir Julian Pauncefote, British ambassador, will soon be succeeded by Sir

Thomas H. Sanderson, While no official confirmation of the report can be had, either at the State Department or the British legation, it i remembered that Sir Julian would have gone on the retired list upon reaching the age limit of seventy years, about two years ago when the Venezuelan matter was at its height, but he was paid the unusual compliment of an extension of time in office.

When Sir Julian in 1839 succeeded Sackville West, he vacated the position of permanent Secretary of Foreign Affairs in which Sanderson succeeded him, and it is considered very likely that the latter may follow him up.

MAJOR GENERAL LEE. His Appointment Will Be Sent to the Senate Tomorrow.

The President has decided to send th ppointment of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee as a major general to the Senate tomorrow ufirmation. He will be given com mand of the Third Army Corps of Voluneers, which will probably be concentrat Adjutant General Corbin has sent a con idential telegram to Gen. Lee at Rich mond congratulating him upon his appointment.

OUR EXPERT GUNNERS. American Marksmanship the Resul

of Liberal Turget Practice. Key West, May 2.-Naval officers ar and in their praise of Commodore Dewey's achievement. One commanding of ticer said the American Navy spends more money in target practice than any three navies in the world, and as a sult the American gunners are the marksmen in the world, in open bat-tle the North Atlantic squadron could defeat the entire Spanish mavy.

Many troops of the Spanish cavalry and infantry have been observed from newspaper disputch boats and torpedo boats in Cuba, all marching toward Havcentrating his forces.

The torpedo boat Porter, commanded by Lieut Frement, sighted three Spanish gunboats Friday night, and without

considering the odds against him at once gave chase. The gunboats were of light draft, and in an effort to escape made for thoul waters in shore. The Porter followed and get so cle

bouts returned the fire, and subsequentescaped in the darkness. CARE OF THE WOUNDED.

Ship Apotheenries Will Hold the Rank of Warrant Officers. The House Committee on Naval Affairs for the organization of a hospital system in the Navy. It is proposed to give the apothecaries abourd ship the rank of warrant officers and provide them with a sufficient number of hospital stewards

care for the sick and wounded about inschip, but it will be his duty to see that

MARTIAL LAW IN MADRID. Spanish Cabinet Resolves to Pro-

claim a State of Siege. Madrid, May 2.-The cablnet, in con gence of the excited state of public feet der martial law. Constitutional rights will not be suspended and a state of slege be proclaimed only in Madrid. Deputy Gasset will submit in the chara-ber today a motion inquiring as to th neibility of Admiral Bermejo, mi ater of marine, for the Manila disaster. The government has been officially notified that Commodore Dewey has cut the Manila cable, the end of which was car

ried on board the flagship Olympia. THE SANTA CRUZ PLOT. Evidence Implicating Two Span-

fards in Powder Mill Explosion. Santa Cruz, Cal., May 3.-At the coron er's inquest over the remains of the vic sion, it developed that two Spaniards had called at a certain house on the morning of the explosion and inquired for the lo-cation of the powder works. The inquest was postponed until Wed-

St. John, N. B., May 3.-The screw steamer St. Croix, of the Internationa Line, the largest steamship plying be hartered by the United States to carry troops.

The Custine Brings in a Prize Key, West, Fig., May 3.-The gunboa Castine arrived here this morning with a Spanish fishing smack captured off the coast of Cuba.

No News Direct From Manila Today.

SENOR SAGASTA IS FIRM

He Insists That Spain Will Fight to the End.

ONE BIG NAVAL BATTLE

The Spanish Program Is to Attack Our Fleet in Cuban Waters Before Listening to European Intervention-The Queen Regent's Telegram to the Pope-Spain's Sovereignty to Be Maintained.

Madrid, May 1-Shortly before the Manila cable was cut the Spanish officials at Manila sent an urgent message to the government asking for an immediate reply to a petition made by the foreigners there that they be allowed to seek the protection of the British flag. The answer returned by the government was that the sovereignty of Spain must be mintained in all its integrity

The cabinet council has agreed that the Cortes shall continue its sittings. Senor Salmeron has given notice that he will offer an interpellation asking an explanation of the situation in the Philippines. Premier Sugasta in reply will declare the intention of the government to pursue the war to the bitter end.

It is now stated that the report of the formation of a sational government is not confirmed. Senor Sugasta placed the situation before the queen and indicated to her the possible solution. Her majesty expressed her confidence in the government, which will continue the same as it Is for the present.

The naval authorities are credited with he resolution not to listen to any suggestion of intervention on the part of the sowers before a supreme and combined

effort has been made in Cuban waters. Spain's Naval Pragram.

London, May 1.-The latest dispatches received at the colonial office in London say that the outlying native quarters of Manila suffered somewhat from the maval engagement, a number of them have ing been burned. The European town was struck by shells. The citadel butters les claim to have inflicted considerable

damage upon the hombarders. It is stated that the Spanish naval autial and isolated combats, but to unite the naval strength and crush the Ameri-

un seundron in Cuban waters. A dispatch from Cadiz says that the Spanish warships Pelayo, Alfonso XIII and Vitoria and several smaller craft are nearly ready for sea. Private advices, however, say that great difficulty is heing experienced owing to a lack of money. British engineers refuse to serve on board the vessels. The steam yield Giraids, purchased by Spain from H. L. B. McCalment, M. P., some time ago, and converted into a cruiser, has fourteen guns on board and is now on a trial

Quiet in Madrid. London, May 1.-Disputches from Madrid report that the people there are quiet today. Troops patrol the streets, howver, and disperse crowds as fast as they

Christian to the Pope.

Madrid, May 1.-The Queen Regent of

Spain has referraphed to the Pone saving

that Snain is ealm and resolved to resist

cruise.

o the bitter end, and begging the blocking of his holiness upon the Spanish arms.

A Stock Ticker Report. New York, May 2-The Ticker sends or this: "Monila is in the possession of Amerians. A provisional government will be

suned." There appears to be nothing back of the statement except probability.

Secretary Long has official information from the Cable Company at Hong Kong regarding accurate tests made of the Manila cuble, which show that the cable as been cut forty miles from Manila. If the conclusion drawn from the cests

correct, the first official news from commodore Dewey will be sent to Hong Kong by a disputch boat. Some of the aval offices think that such a beat was ent immediately after the battle of Senday, and should reach Hong Kang in a lew hours, the buttle having been fought ver forty-eight hours ago. The Navy Department this morning is

levoting its energies very largely to geting ammunition, coal and other applies a Dewey's squadron. These will probably be sent as soon as possible, from San Notice Extraordinary-Conf.

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